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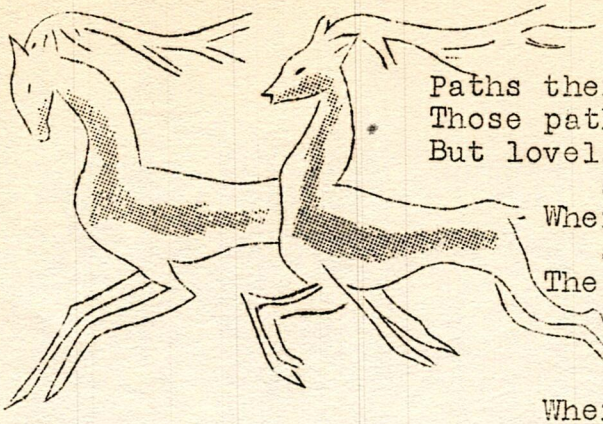


Paths there are that lead to fame,
Those paths are trod alone,
But loveliest far, those roadways are
Where friendship's smile has shone;
The little lanes that memory keeps
Are pleasant ways of cheer,
Where tales are told and joys unfold
Throughout the friendly year.
--Edgar A. Guest--

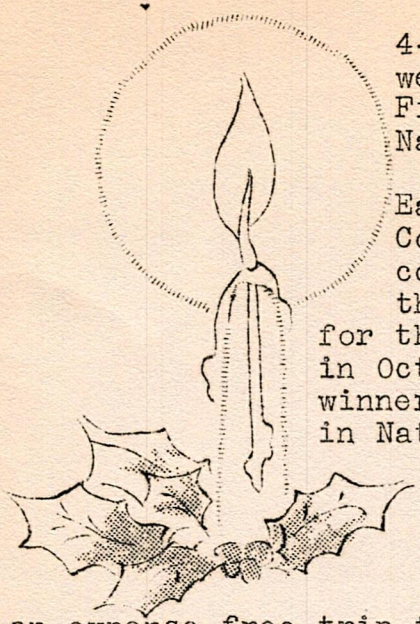
COMMODITIES AVAILABLE TO SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAMS FOR MONTH OF DECEMBER.

Beans, Lima	1/2 pound per child per month
Cereal, Wheat	1 pound per child per month
Flour, Graham	1 pound per child per month
Flour, White	2 pounds per child per month
Lard	1 pound per child per month
Milk, Canned	3 cans per child per month
Milk, Dry Skim	1 pound per child per month
Peaches, Canned	3 pounds per child per month
Pears, Fresh	1 pound per child per month
Prunes, Dried	1/2 pound per child per month
Raisins	1/2 pound per child per month
Rice	1 pound per child per month
Salt Pork	1 pound per child per month

These commodities may be had at the Clatsop County Public Welfare Office in the Flavel Building, Astoria, and we hope that our schools are availaing themselves of this opportunity to receive these surplus foods.

PROBATION OFFICER: The Clatsop County Court has appointed Mrs. Floyd Reith probation officer. Her office is upstairs in the courthouse and cases may be reported to her.

DIRECTORIES: If you have not received a copy of the county school directory, you may call for yours at the office.



4-H CLUB WORK: Clatsop County people were very pleased to hear of Mary Filliger, of Lewis & Clark, winning National honors in 4-H work.

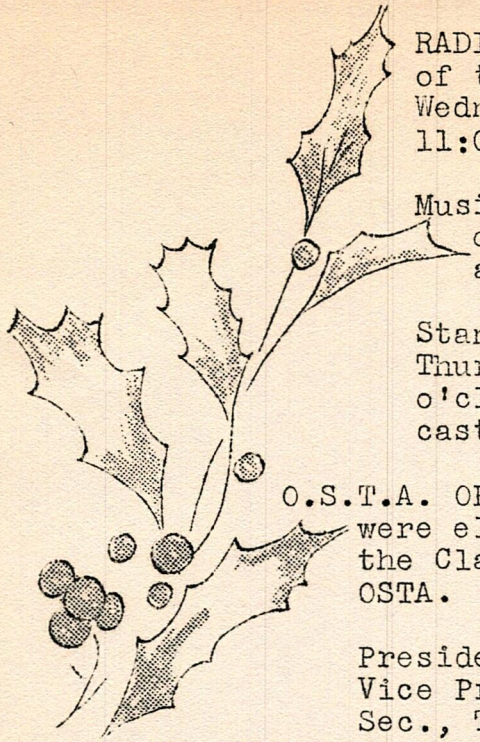
Early in October, Mary was selected County winner in the girls' record contest. This contest is based on the club member's entire club career for the best all round club work. Late in October, Mary was selected State winner in this contest, and was entered in National competition. On Dec. 3, she was judged one of the six best in the United States. Six girls were selected without any distinction between them. In this contest alone, Mary received a gold medal, an expense free trip to Chicago and a $200 college scholarship. This was the first time Clatsop County has ever received recognition in national competition.

The 1940 club year was closed Nov. 1, with 86.2% of all club members beginning completing their work.

The 1941 clubs are fast being organized. There are several new communities starting club work this year. Forestry appears to be most popular among the boys, however agriculture projects usually aren't started until later in the year. The girls are choosing sewing, cooking and flower gardening for the most part. A few are taking home making and room improvement. DON JOSSY, County Club Agent, Postoffice Bldg., Astoria.

INVENTORY OF EQUIPMENT: Some time ago questionnaires were sent to each teacher relative to their school equipment, courses of study, textbooks, etc. To date, we have received a few, but there are still a number out. PLEASE SEETHAT THESE ARE RETURNED TO OUR OFFICE IMMEDIATELY.

WRITING: Writing is especially important in the accepted standards of social and business usage. All pupils should be taught to have a writing consciousness to carry over for the activities of life. We recommend the teaching of manuscript in grades one and two. Legible writing should be the goal of all children.



RADIO BROADCASTS: KOAC School of the Air - Each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 11:00 o'clock a.m.

Music Appreciation Hour - Each Friday morning at 11:00 o'clock a.m. over NBC, Blue Network.

Standard School Broadcast - Each Thursday morning 11:15 to 11:45 o'clock, over Mutual-Don Lee Broadcasting System.

O.S.T.A. OFFICERS: The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Clatsop County Division of the OSTA.

President: Mr. Dewey Van
Vice President: Mr. Bruce Graham
Sec., Treas.- Miss Maxine Jewell

Delegates to OSTA Convention in Portland in December: Mr. Dewey Van, Miss Mary Katherine Drennon, Mrs. Maude Allen Shaw; alternates, Mr. Warren McGowan andMrs. Hilda Lahti.

FLAG SALUTE: According to the Flag Code, as adopted by the National Flag Conference, Washington, D. C., in pledging allegiance to the Flag of the United States, the approved practice is as follows: Standing with the right hand over the heart, all repeat together the following pledge: "I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republid for which it stands, one Nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all." At the words "to the Flag," the right hand is extended, palm upward, toward the Flag and this position is held until the end, when the hand, after the words, "justice for all," drops to the side.

DAILY PROGRAMS: Daily programs are to be posted on the classroom door and every teacher will kindly have a daily class record book on her desk. There are still some daily programs that have not as yet been sent to our office. Some of the teachers in the following districts have not as yet sent their copy to the office: Dist. 5 Con., Dist. 8 Con., 10, 18, 20, 30 and 36.

Good temper, like a sunny day, sheds a brightness over everything.--Washington Irving

CHRISTMAS SEALS: Denmark 1903 - The first Christmas Seals were sold; the purpose being to obtain funds to prevent the spread of tuberculosis.

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The tiny seals, sold for one cent, make possible an organized campaign against tuberculosis. Urge the sale of these seals.

TEACHERS AND HEALTH WORK: "The season is here when colds, flu, and other contagious diseases are in evidence in our schools. It is therefore necessary for teachers to be vigilant and consistent in making health inspections daily. Any unusual condition noted in a pupil such as coughing, flushed appearance, watery eyes, sore throat, rash or any form of skin eruption, should be noted and the child dismissed until the nurse or doctor can call. Scabies or itch, especially prevalent now, is easily discernible between the fingers and on the body except the face. Preventing the spread of trench mouth, a very contagious disease, requires keen vigilance on the part of the teacher. Examine gums. Considerable responsibility is on the shoulders of the teacher if any of these diseases is allowed to get a start in the school before or between visits of the school nurse or doctor.

The teacher should, however, report to this office or to the Health Department any cases where pupils have been sent home because of suspicious symptoms....." Jackson County Jottings.

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS: Rose berries flecked with gilt paint, shellaced ivy leaves, and fir branches, make a beautiful combination in a vase or basket. If rose berries are not available, cranberries pushed on the ends of small twig branches serve nicely.

Christmas greens may be silvered with an ordinary fly sprayer and aluminum paint mixed to the consistency of thin cream. (Aluminum paint is much cheaper than silver

bronze paint and gives the same results.)

Inexpensive and pretty windows may designed and easily painted with a rather thick mixture of kalsomine made by simply adding water to the powder. This is easily washed from the windows.

Tin foil icicles hung close together over a looped string makes an attractive border at the top of a blackboard.

Children love to make Santas out of apples. Choose bright red apples of medium size. Use black eyed Susan bean halves for eyes or paint eyes on dark beans. Glue or paste in place an apple. Use a cranberry pushed through a pin for nose, cut mouth or paint with white paint. Use cotton for whiskers and paste red crepe paper cap on. Fasten apple to top of an unhusked ear of corn by means of a toothpick. Put bit of cotton around neck for fur. Arrange in any container or basket with only heads showing. This makes an unusually attractive display.--Wallowa County Bulletin

JUNIOR RED CROSS: To date 52 rooms have enrolled in Jr. Red Cross, an increase of four over last year, and 1251 pupils. Sixty-four Christmas boxes have been sent thus far to San Francisco.

EXAMINATIONS: The examination committee will meet this Saturday to draw up plans for the coming semester examinations and instructions will be sent you later.

Clerks' census reports show an increase of 176 over 1939.

I have visited all the schools in the county and have found many improvements. Hallways, lavatories, desks, etc., are in splendid condition. Neatness should be the keynote at all times.

OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY ESSAY CONTEST: The Oregon Historical Society has selected "Early History of Salem, and How It Became the Capital" as the subject for the 1940 C. C. Beekman essay contest. The prizes

offered are four in number, viz., first, sixty dollars; second, fifty dollars; third, forty dollars; and fourth, thirty dollars; and will be awarded for the best four original essays on the above named subject written and submitted by girls or boys over fifteen years of age and under eighteen years of age, attending any public or private school, academy, seminary, college, university or other educational institution within the State of Oregon. Each of the four prize winners will also receive a handsome bronze medal.

(1) Essay must not exceed two thousand words in length.

(2) Essay be in handwriting or typewritten form; sheets numbered consecutively and written on one side only, with blank space of about one and one-quarter inches at top and left-hand margin.

(3) Essay shall be accompanied by a separate sheet containing name and postoffice address of writer, the date of his or her birth, and name of school attended.

(4) There shall also be delivered with essay, certificate signed by principal or teacher of educational institution attended, stating that writer of essay is student attending same.

(5) In order to be considered in competition the essay must be delivered, by mail or in person, to the Oregon Historical Society, Public Auditorium, 235 S. W. Market Street, Portland, Oregon, not later than Saturday, March 15, 1941.

(6) All essays submitted in competition will be numbered and submitted, without the names of the writers or other identifying marks, to three judges selected by the undersigned committee.

(7) All competitive essays will be judged according to their general merit and excellence; but the judges will also take into consideration, in passing thereon, neatness of manuscript, accurate orthography, correct grammar and composition, and purity and clarity of diction.

The measure of a man's real character if what he would do if he knew he would never be found out.--Lord Macaulay

It isn't the money you are making
It isn't the clothes you wear
It isn't the skill of your good right hand
That makes people really care.
But it's the smile on your face
And the light in your eyes
And the burdens that you bear;
It's how do you live and neighbor
It's how do you work and play
And it's how do you say "good morning"
To the folks along the way!
And it's how do you face your troubles
Whenever the skies are gray.
--Selected--

COUNTY LIBRARY: An approval by the taxpayers of $7500 for the Clatsop County County Library, and plans will be under way for an extensive library program throughout the county.

NEW TEXTBOOK ADOPTIONS: "Inclosed you will find a list of books selected by the State Board of Textbook Commissioners at its biennial meeting on November 18, 1940. Contracts for these books effective from July 41 to July 1947, will be signed later.

You will note that two multiple adoptions are included in the list. The Music Hour, Silver, Burdett Company, and The World of Music, Ginn and Company, were both selected for music in the elemtnary grades. For first-year German either German, Book One, Scott Foresman and Co., or Ein Ausflug in die Deutsche Sprache, Odyssey Press (formerly Doubleday, Doran and Company) may be used.

In the case of a multiple adoption, schools are required to have one or the other of the books or series, but not both. Schools are, of course, at liberty to purchase as supplementary material the book or series not selected for basic use.

A word of explanation concerning the Algebra adoption is also in order. Hart's Essentials of High School Algebra, is designed for use in a program in which one year only of algebra is offered. If taught in the upper high school grades to selected students, this book should normally be covered in one year even though it contains both elementary and intermediate materials. Stone-Mallory's First Course in Algebra and Second Course in Algebra, Revised are designed for use in a program in which more than

one year (three or four semesters of time) is allocated to algebra. For example, these books would be indicated if algebra were taught in the tenth grade and again in the eleventh or twelfth grades. Algebra is primarily a college preparatory course. It is recommended, therefore, that it be taken as close to high school graduation as possible because the shorter the interval between high school study of the subject and its use in college, the more usable it will probably be in college courses.

The ninth grade mathematics text, Schorling-Clark's Mathematics in Life, Regular Edition, World Book Company, is not an exploratory general mathematics and, hence, does not replace the present adopted general mathematics, Stone-Mallory's Mathematics for Everyday Use, Benj. H. Sanborn & Co. The newly adopted text is designed as continuation of the mathematics program already pursued in the elementary grades and may be thought of as advanced arithmetic rather than general mathematics.

A supplement entitled Growing Into Maturity may be obtained free of charge upon request with the purchase of each high school health text, Crisp's Be Healthy, J. B. Lippincott Company. This supplement gives a treatment of sex education at the high school level which schools may desire to use.

The question of whether or not all of these newly adopted texts must be put in use at the beginning of the next school year is raised from time to time. The law reads as follows: "Section 35-2313. Use of books--Commencement--Time Limit. "It is hereby made the duty of all boards of school directors to cause the textbooks adopted, as provided in this act, to be introduced and used in their respective schools at the beginning of the next school year following their adoption; provided, however, that the superintendent of public instruction shall have authority to make regulations to postpone such introduction during a reasonable period of transition from the use of one course of study to the use of a new course." (Oregon Code 1930, as amended by Ch. 536, Ore. L. 1939)."

It is reasonable, as a financial consideration, that books of old adoptions that are in good condition and that are usable with newer courses of study should not be discarded immediately. In other instances it may be inadvisable to

introduce new texts before courses of study are ready for use. In yet other situations there may be some definite curricular sequence involved that would make it desirable to postpone introduction of the new books. It should be remembered, however, that new textbooks are selected because, in the judgment of the Textbook Commissioners, they more nearly present needs than do the replaced books, and educational effectiveness should be the primary criterion on which decisions on this question should be based. You will receive more definite information on this issue in a later communication."--REX PUTNAM, Supt. pf Public Instruction

A list of the adoptions may be had from our office.

Each wish you make is a little ship
That sails out on the blue,
It journeys far and wide and then
It sails right back to you!
So may this Merry Christmas Day
And a Happy, bright New Year
See all your ships come in all filled
With happiness and cheer!

Anne Lewis

County School ~~Superintendent~~